

the National Institutes of Mental Health, among others, recognize the need for proper diagnosis, education, and treatment of ADHD;

Whereas the lack of public knowledge and understanding of the disorder play a significant role in the overwhelming numbers of undiagnosed and untreated cases of ADHD, and the dissemination of inaccurate, misleading information contributes as an obstacle for diagnosis and treatment;

Whereas lack of knowledge combined with issues of stigma have a particularly detrimental effect on the diagnosis and treatment of the disorder;

Whereas there is a need for education of health care professionals, employers, and educators about the disorder and a need for well-trained mental health professionals capable of conducting proper diagnosis and treatment activities; and

Whereas studies by the National Institute of Mental Health and others consistently reveal that through proper comprehensive diagnosis and treatment, the symptoms of ADHD can be substantially decreased and quality of life can be improved: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates September 19, 2007, as “National Attention Deficit Disorder Awareness Day”;

(2) recognizes Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) as a major public health concern;

(3) encourages all Americans to find out more about ADHD, support ADHD mental health services, and seek the appropriate treatment and support, if necessary;

(4) expresses the sense of the Senate that the Federal Government has a responsibility to—

(A) endeavor to raise awareness about ADHD; and

(B) continue to consider ways to improve access and quality of mental health services dedicated to improving the quality of life of children and adults with ADHD; and

(5) calls on Federal, State, and local administrators and the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate programs and activities.

SENATE RESOLUTION 296—DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 2007 AS “NATIONAL YOUTH COURT MONTH”

Mr. STEVENS (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. CASEY, Mr. THUNE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. CORNYN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 296

Whereas the United States is built on strong communities in which all citizens play an active role and invest in the success and future of the youth of the United States;

Whereas the sixth National Youth Court Month celebrates the outstanding achievements of youth court programs throughout the country;

Whereas in 2006, more than 120,000 youths volunteered to hear more than 130,000 juvenile cases, and more than 20,000 adults volunteered to facilitate peer justice in youth court programs;

Whereas 1,210 youth court programs in 49 States and the District of Columbia provide restorative justice for juvenile offenders, resulting in effective crime prevention, early intervention and education for all youth participants, and enhanced public safety throughout the United States;

Whereas youth courts address offenses that might otherwise go unaddressed until the offending behavior escalates and reduce case-loads for the juvenile justice system;

Whereas youth courts redirect the efforts of juvenile offenders toward becoming contributing members of their communities by holding juvenile offenders accountable and reconciling victims, communities, juvenile offenders, and their families;

Whereas Federal, State, and local governments, corporations, foundations, service organizations, educational institutions, juvenile justice agencies, and individual adults support youth court programs because these programs actively promote and contribute to building successful, productive lives and futures for the youth of the United States;

Whereas a fundamental correlation exists between youth service and lifelong community involvement;

Whereas volunteer service and related service learning opportunities enable young people to build character and develop and enhance life-skills, such as responsibility, decision-making, time management, teamwork, public speaking, and leadership, which prospective employers will value; and

Whereas youth court programs encourage participants to become valuable members of their communities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate designates September 2007 as “National Youth Court Month”.

SENATE RESOLUTION 297—RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UTAH LEAGUE OF CITIES AND TOWNS

Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. BENNETT) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 297

Whereas the Utah League of Cities and Towns was created in 1907 as the Utah Municipal League to protect the interests of the municipalities of the State of Utah and to promote an active interest in municipal affairs;

Whereas the Utah League of Cities and Towns was the 9th such State league created in the United States and was one of the earliest members of the National League of Cities;

Whereas one of the primary functions of the Utah League of Cities and Towns during its early years was to organize and facilitate an annual convention, which remains a key function of the Utah League of Cities and Towns;

Whereas nearly 1,000 elected officials and staff from municipalities across the State of Utah attend the Utah League of Cities and Towns Convention each year;

Whereas when the Utah League of Cities and Towns was formed, there were 375,000 residents of Utah and 83 municipalities;

Whereas nearly 2,500,000 people now call Utah home, and the large majority of these people live in the 243 cities and towns across the State;

Whereas, in 1937, the Utah League of Cities and Towns reorganized, employed a full-time staff, expanded its legislative activity, and launched training and other service programs;

Whereas the Utah League of Cities and Towns strives to maintain a strong unity among all Utah municipalities, promoting common interests among municipalities while recognizing each city's unique differences;

Whereas the Utah League of Cities and Towns helped to secure the bid, organize, and

host the successful XIX Olympic Winter Games in 2002, and also helped promote a vision of the Olympic Games throughout the region; and

Whereas, as the Utah League of Cities and Towns enters its 2nd century of service, it remains committed to representing the interests of municipal governments with a strong, unified voice at the State and Federal levels and providing information, training, and technical assistance to the leaders of the cities and towns of Utah as they try to make life better for all Utahns: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes and honors the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Utah League of Cities and Towns; and

(2) expresses its appreciation for the efforts of the Utah League of Cities and Towns to promote civic responsibility and community interest during the past 100 years.

SENATE RESOLUTION 298—COMMEMORATING THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA FOR HOLDING A 3-DAY CELEBRATION OF THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF THE MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE, AND RECOGNIZING THAT THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE IS WHERE NORTH CAROLINA CELEBRATES THE BIRTHDAY OF THE MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE

Mrs. DOLE (for herself and Mr. BURR) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 298

Whereas the Marquis de Lafayette, born on September 6, 1757, is considered a national hero in both France and the United States for his participation in the American and French revolutions, and is 1 of only 6 Honorary Citizens of the United States;

Whereas the Marquis de Lafayette served heroically and with distinction during the American Revolution, both as a general and as a diplomat, offering his services as an unpaid volunteer;

Whereas the first battle the Marquis de Lafayette fought in the American Revolution was at Brandywine, where he fought courageously and was wounded;

Whereas the Marquis de Lafayette also served with distinction in various other engagements, including the surrender of the British army at Yorktown;

Whereas, in 1783, the 2 colonial villages of Cross Creek and Campbellton were merged by the legislature of North Carolina and named Fayetteville, North Carolina;

Whereas Fayetteville, North Carolina was the first city in the United States named for the Marquis de Lafayette, and the only city named for him that he actually visited;

Whereas, in 1789, the General Assembly and constitutional convention met in Fayetteville, North Carolina, where delegates ratified the United States Constitution, chartered the University of North Carolina, and ceded the western lands of the State to form the State of Tennessee;

Whereas during the tour of the United States taken by the Marquis de Lafayette as “The Guest of the Nation,” the Marquis was entertained in Fayetteville on March 4 and 5, 1825, by leading citizens of the State and community of Fayetteville, including Governor Hutchins G. Burton;

Whereas, on the death of the Marquis de Lafayette in 1834, the City of Fayetteville held a large memorial service with an eloquent eulogium on his character and services;